Puis! and 00 Seeds Production

8. 27. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:..

(a) what is the estimated production of pulses and oilseeds in the. country during the year 1986-87-

(b) what steps Government 'have taken to encourage and promote {ncrease;

-in production of these cereals. and (c) whether 6overnment propose to Introduce Crop insurance Scheme in respect of p»lses and oilseeds, in alt the;

StatesTHE MINISTER OF STATE, IN THE DEPARTMENT OF. ' AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION?IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI Yd-GENDRA MAKWANA); (a) Final esti-. mate$_s$ of production of-, pulses and oil-, seed$_s$ «rops! for the crop year 1986-87 from all the States have not yet fallen! due. Etowever, Based: upon preliminary, reports received from States, it is cur- -rently Assessed that all-India production of pulsus during the crop year 1986-87, might be around 13. 0 million tonnes $_a$nd that of total nine oilseeds in the range Of 12. 2 t$_0$ 12. 5 million tonnes.

(b) in order to encourage and increase the production of pulses [oilseeds, following measures, are being taken by the Government;

(i) Introduction of pulsejoilseeds crops' in irrigated farming: systelms;

(ii) Bringing additional area under short duration varieties of Urad, moone etc., under cultivation;

(iii) Inter-cropping of Arhar in 3a-jra, C'ottonrSugarcane etc., both under $_c$ irrigated and unirrigated conditions;

(tv) Multiplication and nse of im-prove I seeds.

(v) Use. of fertilisers and rhizobium culture;

(v) Adoption of plant protection. measures;

(vil) Expansion of non-traditional oilseeds crops like "Soyabean and Sun-flower in potential areas;

(viii) Launching $_0$f National Oilseeds Development Project and Oilseeds Technology -Mission in 180 potential '

districts for, better production of oil seeds; and .

(ix) Adoption of appropriate poli- cie$ including pricing and marketing,

(c) Pulses; and oilseeds are already , covered unde- Crop Insurance Scheme
in various States. '

Drought Relief to Gujarat

828. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAHU

Will, the Minisfer of AGRICULTURF; be pleased to-state;

(a) whether it is a fact '. that tie Government of Gujarat had recently sub--mitted'a master plan of Rs, 96 crores to deal with unprecedented- drought situation;

(b) what js the response of the Central Government to this master plan and the financial and other assistance, sanctioned this year-for Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajas-** than, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu to fight the drought;

(e) the Central financial assistance sanctioned last year -for drilling four in-ches bores in Gujarat, how many four in-ches bores were drilled and out of them how many are usable now; and

(d) whether drilling of six inches bores is likely \o be useful in getting required quantity of water, jf so, what is the cost of each'such bore and the time it likely to take- to flriJl them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINIS-TRY OF AGRICULTURE (SIHRl YO-GENDRA MAKWANA): (a) 2nd (b) The Government of Gujarat submitted a memorandum seeking Central assistance for tackling the drought situation in *the*